

PARENTS STARVING IN RUSSIA, PRETTY GIRL TAKES POISON

Lillian Borofsky, Aged 22, Brooding Over Lack of Word From Parents in Devastated Zone, Swallows Carbolic Acid—Dies in Hospital Several Hours After Being Found in State of Coma at Boarding House.

Continually brooding over the fate of her parents in Russia's devastated war zone, whom she feared have lost their home, and are suffering the privations and hunger, with thousands of other wandering Jewish refugees, Miss Lillian Borofsky, a handsome girl of 22 years, committed suicide by swallowing carbolic acid in a fit of temporary insanity this morning.

The girl, who resides with her uncle, Jacob Borofsky, at 688 Berkshire avenue, was discovered lying in an unconscious condition on the floor of her room by Mrs. Borofsky, shortly before 8 o'clock this morning.

Several physicians were hastily summoned and restoratives applied before she was taken to the Bridgeport hospital. Miss Borofsky, however, had evidently been in state of coma for a

half hour or more and efforts to revive her were in vain. She died at noon in the hospital.

According to relatives she has been in this country about 10 years and for the last two years had been employed at the Remington Arms plant. Recently she often was heard to bemoan the fact that she was "alone in the world," expressing at the same time her fear that her parents were either dead or homeless because they failed to communicate with her.

Efforts by the police to find where the girl purchased the poison have failed. It was reported that she had made a purchase yesterday afternoon, in the drug store of Arpad Gerst, but records of yesterday's sales at the store failed to reveal that poison of any description had been sold.

BURNETT SCORCHES EUROPEANS WHO EMIGRATE TO AMERICA AND DEFENDS HIS LITERACY TEST

Congressman John L. Burnett, father of the immigration bill, reached town this afternoon. It is expected he will be introduced to the members of the Junior Order American Mechanics by Congressman W. J. Hill.

In an interview with a reporter of this Farmer, Burnett, referred to as "burning" language to the foreigners who have been coming to this country in large numbers, and who are being admitted to the country.

The legislation to which he refers is the same which President Wilson has vetoed as not being in accordance with American principles of humanity and justice.

Said Congressman Burnett: "History shows that after all wars the better classes of people remain behind to repair the damage done. The poorer classes and the undesirable take chances in emigration. "American industry is promoted by employing such labor because of its low wages which eventually throws the American workman out of employment. "These lower classes of people bring low standards with them and the immoral customs to which they have been accustomed in their own countries and this will work to the detriment of America in that respect. "I do not say," continued Congressman Burnett, "that one can stop the black hander by literacy tests, but it will stop the mind of man who will do the blackhander's bidding here for ignorance and crime go hand in hand." "In comparing the northern races of Europe with those of southern Europe the speaker tonight in elaborating on this topic will attempt to show that the better races of Europe will not be affected by the law. "The congressman, who is to address the arriving delegates of the Junior Order of American Mechanics, arrived in this city at 10 o'clock. He was

PRESIDENT GETS HEARTY WELCOME FROM BALTIMORE

On Way to Make Second Speech is Cheered By Several Thousands.

Baltimore, Sept. 25.—President Wilson will come to Baltimore today to deliver the second speech of his campaign for re-election. He arrived here at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon and was driven immediately to the Lyric theatre for his address before the National Grain Dealers' convention. Cheering crowds of several thousand delegates greeted him at the station.

PRESIDENT SEES FIRE. Philadelphia, Sept. 25.—President Wilson, traveling in a special train from Long Branch to Baltimore, was held up eight minutes in the northeastern part of Philadelphia today by a fire in a carload of straw on the New York division of the Pennsylvania Railroad. While the burning car was being shifted to another track, the President chatted with some of the city firemen at the blaze and members of the train crew, who cheered him as his train started off again.

MRS. SHEPARD BURIED. Saybrook, Conn., Sept. 25.—The funeral of Mrs. Mary N. Shepard, widow of Rev. Peter L. Shepard, was held today from Grace Episcopal church here where her husband was rector at the time of his death. Rev. Dr. Samuel Hart, dean of Berkeley Divinity school, Middletown, officiated assisted by Bishop C. E. Gimstead, of Colorado, who is on a vacation here, and Rev. C. O. Scoville, of New Haven. Interment was in Old Cypress cemetery at Saybrook Point.

UNIONS CONTINUE TAKING VOTES ON BIG N. Y. STRIKE

Leaders Say That 179,500 Already Have Decided to Walk Out.

New York, Sept. 25.—Labor organizations including about 100,000 workers met today to vote on the question of joining in the proposed general strike to take effect here Wednesday morning. Ernst Bohm, secretary of the conference of labor leaders directing the movement, asserted that unions representing 179,500 workers already had voted to quit work.

A meeting of the leaders will be held this afternoon to hear the reports from the local unions. Among those voting today are the machinists, metal workers, laundrymen and butchers. According to Secretary Bohm, the strike among drivers for Borden's Condensed Milk Co., which began yesterday and continued to spread today, was due to an attempt by the company to enforce upon the men the "Master and Servant" form of contract, which is one of the issues in the traction strike.

ALFRED WARD, NOTED BRITISH SLEUTH, DEAD. London, Sept. 25.—Alfred Ward, chief inspector of Scotland Yard, died today. Inspector Ward had charge of the police investigation into several of the most sensational crimes of recent years. He visited the United States last May to bring back Ignatius Trillich Lincoln, the former member of Parliament and self-confessed German spy. Lincoln was extradited on the charge of forgery.

MERIDEN POSTAL CLERK HELD FOR THEFT OF \$1,000

Taken By Federal Inspector After Marked Money Trap is Laid.

PUBLISHING FIRM LOSES LARGE SUM

Claims That \$2,200 Sent In Mail Has Failed of Delivery.

Meriden, Conn., Sept. 25.—Edward A. Conklin, a night clerk in the local post office, was arrested there today by Federal Inspector Rhind, of Boston, charged with the theft of money from the mails. He was taken to Hartford for a hearing before the United States commissioner. Conklin is 29 years old, unmarried and had been in the post office for ten years.

Recently complaint was made by a local publishing company that about a thousand letters, containing cash, checks or money orders of a total value of \$2,200 had been lost during the past four months. Marked bills were placed in letters and addressed to the company.

When these failed to arrive Conklin was questioned and then arrested. The company claims that the actual cash taken amounted to about \$1,000. Conklin denies that he got such a sum. Inquiry from hundreds of persons as to why letters containing money forwarded by them to the company had brought no response, started the investigation.

PLAN POST CARD DELUGE TO FORCE WILSON'S HAND

Chamber of Commerce Openly Declares For Adoption of New Charter.

The Chamber of Commerce has openly espoused the cause of commission government for Bridgeport. Today the chamber issued 20,000 postal cards, to voters registered in Bridgeport, asking that the voters send reply postal cards to Mayor Wilson urging that the question of adoption of the charter be submitted to the electorate on the regular election day, Nov. 7.

The chamber of commerce states in its communication to the voters, its belief, "that our city will be greatly benefited by the adoption of the charter for a commission form of government that has been prepared" also its belief that "the consideration of such matter can be better determined at a general election rather than at a special election."

DISPATCHER SAYS WRECKED EXPRESS RAN BY SIGNALS

Towerman Says Signals Were Set Against Gilt Edge Engineer.

Westerly, R. I., Sept. 25.—Testimony today of John McCluskey, who was train dispatcher at Stratford when the Gilt Edge Express of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad telescoped a local train there on April 17, killing five persons, was to the effect that the signals were set against the express. McCluskey was a witness at the trial of Charles H. Mansfield, of New Haven, engineer of the express, who is charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of two of the passengers.

Ready For School, Child Seized With Her Final Illness

Margaret Florence Johnston, aged six years and 11 months, packed her bright new books yesterday morning at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Johnston, 309 Newfield avenue, happily preparing for entering school today.

Yesterday afternoon, Florence, as her playmates called her, was taken slightly ill. In the evening she became worse and she was put to bed, with the adjuration to her parents, however, that she would be called in time to go to school this morning. Florence became seriously ill during the night and early this morning she was rushed to the Bridgeport hospital. A short time afterward she died. The physician who attended her at the hospital said she was suffering from nephritis and oedema of the lungs.

Steam Yacht Attracts Attention in Harbor

The steam yacht Seminole of New York, put into Bridgeport harbor at an early hour this morning to coal. She left at 8 o'clock, destination and owner unknown. Her great length and beautiful lines attracted many eyes from the Stratford avenue bridge. Her coming up to the Wall street dock with ease was considered a neat feat along the waterfront. Her length is 107 feet, though drawing only seven feet of water.

BATCHELLER CO. DENIES PLAN TO CUT WAGE RATE

Letter From Fifth Avenue Offices Found in Each Employee's Envelope.

WILL NOT VIOLATE SIGNED AGREEMENT

Union to Insist on Recognition of Shop Committee For Entire Force

As an aftermath of the meeting of the Corset Workers' union Friday evening, when the situation at the George C. Batcheller Co. and the Crown Corset Co. was discussed, employees of those factories found a missive from the Fifth Avenue, New York offices of the owners, in their envelopes Saturday afternoon.

The communication declared that the George C. Batcheller Co. has no intention of cutting piece work prices or violating its agreement with the employees of the concern, in which it was promised that the 48-hour week would be adhered to. The communication follows:

"130 Fifth Avenue, New York City, Sept. 23, 1916.

"To our Employees: "We have been brought to our attention that certain persons not in our employ are circulating reports among our employees that we intend in the near future to lengthen our working hours and also to cut down our piece work prices. We wish to state at this time that there is absolutely no basis for making any such statements, as we have no intention of extending our working hours beyond the 48-hour weekly schedule now in force, and we also have no intention at any time a reduction in the prices we are now paying for piece work. We intend to keep the agreement we made with our employees recently regarding working hours and piece-work prices, and to treat all alike, whether they belong to a society or union, or otherwise, and we certainly expect our employees to keep their part of this agreement also. "We trust this will relieve any uncertainty in the minds of any of our employees as to our position in these matters.

"GEORGE C. BATCHELLER & CO." The communication made no mention of the question concerning a shop committee, which Organizer John F. Pierce of the union declares the girls will insist upon. He said they have found it impossible to work under the present system of conferences between committees from each department with the employers.

MOTHER AND HER BABE BURIED IN THE SAME GRAVE

Mother's Request That They Might Live in One Tomb Is Granted.

With her head on her dead mother's breast, Meta, six-months-old daughter of Gustave and Charlotte Tetmear lies in the same casket in the parlor of the little home at 40 Orland street. Mother and child are dead of the same disease, the dread white plague, Mrs. Tetmear, who is only 26 years of age, was a victim of what is termed by some, hasty consumption.

The child developed the disease soon after the mother was stricken and died late Friday. The mother died yesterday morning. Her dying request was that her baby be buried with her. Accordingly, the baby has been laid with its mother, her arm about it and its head on her breast as in life. The Tetmears formerly lived at 302 Mountain Grove street. Mrs. Tetmear was born in Germany but came to this country when a girl. The bodies were kept at the morgue of August G. Baker in Stratford avenue. The double funeral will be held from the home of Mrs. Tetmear's cousin, Henry Poneleit, 40 Orland street, at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon and half an hour later at the German Evangelical Lutheran church in Grand street where Rev. Herman C. Weimer, pastor of the German Reformed church will conduct funeral service. The burial will be in one grave in Park cemetery.

Second Moore Child Dies of Paralysis

After a brave battle for life little Margaret Long Moore passed away today at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Moore, 505 Carroll avenue. The little girl with her sisters, was one of the first victims of infantile paralysis.

Both were stricken in July. The sister died, but it was believed Margaret was recovering. The ravages of the disease so weakened Margaret that she never fully recovered and death came last night. Beside her parents she is survived by two brothers, Richard and Kenneth.

BANKERS ARE MEETING.

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 25.—Although the annual convention of the American Bankers' Association will not begin until Thursday, the numerous committees began their meetings today and bankers from all parts of the United States were arriving on every train. The "group conferences" will start tomorrow.

GERMANY ADMITS LOSS OF TWO ZEPPELINS IN RAID; ALLIED AEROS ARE ACTIVE

FORMER GREEK PREMIER TO JOIN REBELS; CRETE UPRISING IS SPREADING

London, Sept. 25.—A despatch to the Star from Athens says former Premier Venizelos, of Greece, has gone to Saloniki.

WILL FOLLOW VENIZELLOS.

Athens, Sept. 25.—Sixty-nine out of the 80 members of King Constantine's famous Cretan Guards who have disbanded the organization, leaving only 11 loyal members, purpose following Premier Venizelos to Saloniki, should he decide to go there to join the revolutionary movement, according to advices from Crete.

REBELS IN CONTROL

London, Sept. 25.—Armed Cretan insurgents, numbering 30,000, are in complete control of the island, according to a Reuters Athens despatch. Canea, Seracolon and other coast towns are in their possession.

The Greek authorities have turned over all government buildings to the leaders of the separatist movement. Only 11 members of King Constantine's Cretan Guard remain loyal, the others being disbanded.

CONFUSION MARKS OPENING OF SCHOOLS AS CHILDREN OVERTAX FACILITIES HERE

Despite the infantile paralysis scare it was estimated by officials of the board of education today that the largest registration ever known would mark the opening of the public schools for the fall term. It is estimated also that at least two-thirds of the pupils will have to go on half time sessions probably for the entire term because there are not school rooms enough. Every portable building owned by the school board will be put into use and probably some more will be built to meet the demands. Of the new schools now building not a single one is ready for occupancy and the schools open with no more rooms than were used when they closed last summer.

Superintendent of Schools Samuel J. Slawson estimated this afternoon that more than 2,000 new pupils had applied for tuition, although his reports from the schools were incomplete due to the confusion and the large number of pupils who applied. Supt. Slawson said that he knew a number of parents were affected by the infantile paralysis scare and he estimated that from 1,800 to 2,000 more pupils would be kept away from schools for a time on that account alone.

On the first day of school last year a few more than 19,000 pupils registered. This was about the average daily attendance although at one time early in the term the registration reached more than 21,000. Supt. Slawson does not look for full registration this year until close to Thanksgiving time. The registration of the pre-vocational school, the old High school building, was very light today. It was said that this was due to a misunderstanding. The pupils who are to attend this school reported at the grammar schools instead. There was considerable confusion at Shelton school today. It opened as the new normal school. Several of teachers dismissed their classes and went home long before the noon recess. A large number of pupils who desired to register for the first time were told to come this afternoon or tomorrow morning.

At the High school the enrollment was reported as unusually light. At Waltersville, Maplewood, Longfellow, Bryant and Lincoln schools many of the pupils who appeared to register for the first time were told to come again tomorrow. Many transfers of teachers were in force as the term opens. There are 53 new teachers, 49 of whom are graduates of the City Normal school.

CARRIE NEFF DEFENDANT IN DIVORCE SUIT

Woman Who Created Scene in Street Accused of Intemperance.

Carrie Starr Neff, who broke into the front page recently by striking her husband's vaudeville partner with a glass, has been sued for divorce by John Neff, in papers filed today in the superior court he alleges intolerable cruelty and intemperance. The couple were married October 17, 1908, in Chicago, Ill. Mrs. Neff's maiden name was Carrie Phelps. At the time of Mrs. Neff's attack upon the other woman, it was alleged Neff had not made payments for his wife's support. In the city court Mrs. Neff paid a fine of \$25 for the assault upon her husband's partner. Neff was playing at Poli's that week and is on a theatrical tour at present. The divorce action is returnable to the October term of court.

DAMAGED "ZEP" SIGHTED.

London, Sept. 25.—Danish fishermen report having observed four Zeppelin airships yesterday traveling in a southeasterly direction, says a despatch from Copenhagen to the Exchange Telegraph Co. One of the Zeppelins was in a damaged condition and was being accompanied by torpedo destroyers.

A heavy earthquake shock was felt at San Juan Del Sud, Nicaragua.

Dirigibles Are Destroyed and Crews Captured in Night Attack on London—Heavy Damage and Many Casualties Are Reported.

Berlin Denies That Raid on Essen Caused Serious Damage—French Aeroplanes in Many Engagements Along Somme.

Aerial activities on all fronts have marked the progress of the war in the past 48 hours. Both sides have been active.

Berlin today admitted the loss of two Zeppelins in the bombardment of London on Saturday night. The raid claimed many victims and the damage was heavy.

Damage at Essen where French aviators bombed the great Krupp works at Essen and returned safely after a flight of 500 miles, is reported by Berlin to be slight, notwithstanding French claims to the contrary.

Both sides have been active in aerial warfare along the Franco-Belgian battle line.

Berlin Admits Loss of Zeppelin Raiders

Berlin, Sept. 25.—Extensive fires were observed to have been caused by the Zeppelin bombardment of London and the English midland counties on Saturday night. It was announced today in the official report on the raid.

Two of the Zeppelins were lost as a result of the fire of anti-aircraft guns in London. The statement says: "During the night of Sept. 23, 24, several naval airships dropped bombs on London, on places of military importance and on the midland counties. Fires were everywhere observed to result, these remaining visible for a long time.

"Previously, before crossing the British coast, the airships were fired upon by guard vessels and during the attack itself were under an extraordinarily heavy fire of incendiary shell from numerous batteries in well directed volleys. Two of the airships fell victims to anti-aircraft guns at London. All the others returned undamaged."

Untrue, Says London. London, Sept. 25.—Regarding the German official report on the Zeppelin raid, the official press bureau today states:

"In addition to the fact that no anti-aircraft defenses or places of military importance were damaged, this account is full of the usual misstatements."

French Bring Down Hostile Aeroplane

Paris, Sept. 25.—The French official communication today has this reference to aerial activity:

"Enemy aircraft last night threw down about 10 bombs near Lunerville. One woman was slightly wounded; the material damages were insignificant. "During yesterday an enemy aeroplane, attacked by one of our machines, was disabled and fell to the ground north of Marseilles. Three other machines were seriously damaged and compelled to land."

"During the night of Sept. 24-25, twelve French aviators threw down 98 shells on the village and railroad station of Guisard. During the same night seven French airmen threw down 50 bombs on factories at Thionville and most of the bombs dropped inflicted no damage, according to an official report made today as follows:

Berlin Says Damage Is Slight at Essen

Berlin, Sept. 25.—No fires were caused at Essen by the hostile air raid yesterday and most of the bombs dropped inflicted no damage, according to an official report made today as follows: "The general in command at Meunster reports that on Sept. 24, several enemy airmen appeared over the suburbs of Essen and for a minute over the town. They dropped several bombs, most of which caused no damage. Fires occurred."

The French war office bulletin last night announced that two French aeroplanes on that day dropped 12 bombs on Essen, where the great Krupp plant is located and returned safely after a flight of 500 miles.

THE WEATHER

Fair tonight and Tuesday, continued cool. Moderate west winds.